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IEDC SCHEME IN GUJARAT
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of schools in Gujarat covered under the Integrated Education for Disabled Children (IEDC) scheme;

(b) the amount sanctioned and released to Gujarat for implementation of the said scheme during the last three years;

(c) the details of utilization of amount by the State; and

(d) the age upto which the free education is being given?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

a) 8026 schools in Gujarat are covered under the scheme of Integrated Education for Disabled Children(IEDC)

b) An amount of Rs.323.44 lakhs, Rs.337.62 lakhs and 335.44 lakhs has been released to the State during the years 1999- 2000, 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 respectively.

c) Except for the funds released during the current financial year, entire amount released during the previous years has been utilized by the State Govt. for the purpose for which it was released. 54 voluntary organisations have been assisted under the scheme & 22098 disabled children have benefitted so far.

d) As per the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act1995, the appropriate Governments and the local authorities shall ensure that every child with a disability has access to free education in an appropriate environment till he attains the age of eighteen years.